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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC# 007-2016

## LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE:

January 4, 2016

**SUBJECT: South Pointe Park Playground Improvements** 

The purpose of this LTC is to notify the City Commission that the Parks and Recreation Department will be temporarily closing the South Pointe Park Playground to perform improvements.

Last year, the Department received several requests to add more shade coverage from parents of playground users. The current shade sail system leaves the playground unshaded for much of the day. Staff conducted research and with the vendor. developed a plan to utilize some of the existing hardware, and install a two extra poles and new sails to provide the additional shade coverage. This plan was presented to the South of Fifth Neighborhood Association and the plans have been approved by the City's Building Department.

To install the new poles, the playground will remain closed beginning Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> and is expected to reopen Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting. Once the poles are in place, final measurements for the sails will be taken and production begins. This takes approximately 2 weeks, at which time the playground will close again for 1 to 2 days for installation of the sails.

Should you have additional questions, please contact Liz Valera at (305) 673-7730.